



# UB Highlights

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News & Events for October 1-15, 2010

## Graduate Info Sessions Saturday, Oct. 2, 10 a.m.-noon Bridgeport Campus

Information on the M.S. in Education internship program will be offered in Carlson Hall, Room 253. For information, call 203-576-4219. Register online at [www.bridgeport.edu/pages/3299.asp](http://www.bridgeport.edu/pages/3299.asp).

## Tuesday, Oct. 12, 6-7:30 p.m. Waterbury Center

Information will be given about all Education programs at the Waterbury Center, 84 Progress Lane. Register online at [www.bridgeport.edu/pages/3299.asp](http://www.bridgeport.edu/pages/3299.asp).



## Talk about World Religions Thursday, Oct. 7, 4:30-6:30 p.m.

A presentation by International Student Services, "What Do We Share in Common? Love and Religions of the World," will be given in the Jacobson Lecture Room of Mandeville Hall. Free and open to all.



## Henna Hand Art

### Wednesday, Oct. 13, 3-4 p.m.

Get ready for Diwali (Nov. 5)! Come to the Student Center lobby to see a demonstration of the traditional art of skin decoration, temporary "tattoos" applied with henna paste for weddings and festivals in India, Pakistan, and Bangladesh and the subcontinent's diaspora.

## International Coffee Hour Thursday, Oct. 14, 4-6 p.m.

Join friends and meet new ones at the coffee hour to be held on the 6th floor of Wahlstrom Library. The theme this month is "North African Weddings." The event is sponsored by Career Services.

## Pakistan Flood Relief

UB students, the Bridgeport Islamic Community Center, and the Bridgeport Council on American Islamic Relations plan a fundraising dinner on September 26 to aid Pakistani flood victims. Tickets may be purchased from UB International Student Services, 203-576-4395, or by writing to [info@BICC.us](mailto:info@BICC.us). Tickets are \$50 for the general public, but the first 80 tickets sold to UB students, faculty or staff are available for \$25, with the cost matched by the University. All proceeds will go to Islamic Relief USA, [www.islamicreliefusa.org](http://www.islamicreliefusa.org) for distribution in Pakistan.

## You might have missed . . .

**September 8:** For the second consecutive year, Bridgeport was ranked one of the best small cities for college students by the American Institute for Economic Research (AIER). Bridgeport came in third, behind Boulder, CO and Ann Arbor, MI, based on a variety of economic, cultural and academic factors. The AIER's 2010-2022 College Destinations Index ranks 360 metropolitan areas nationwide, divided into groups by population size.

**September 21:** In the DuPont Tower Room, UB hosted the local premiere of "Dream Builders," an award-winning documentary about Peter M. Lehrer and Gene McGovern, business partners who rose from the streets of New York to create a construction company that oversaw some of the world's most important projects, including the renovation of the Statue of Liberty and building the Towers of Kuala Lumpur. The film was produced, directed, and edited by Westport filmmaker Larry Locke and won the prestigious CINE Golden Eagle Award for "Best Adult Education Film." It was also named "Best Documentary" at the WorldFest International Film Festival. Peter Lehrer, who was a special guest at the event, answered questions about the partnership and the film.

## Purple Knights Home Athletic Events October 1-15, 2010



### Men's Soccer

Oct. 14 (Thurs.), 6 p.m., Concordia @ Knights Field

### Volleyball (Women's)

Oct. 5 (Tues.) 7 p.m., Mercy @ Hubbell Gym  
Oct. 8 (Fri.), 6 p.m., Dowling @ Hubbell Gym

# UB ACHIEVEMENTS & HONORS

## STUDENTS & ALUMNI

### ATHLETICS

**Noufissa Chbihi**, sophomore member of the UB women's swim team, competed representing her homeland of Morocco in the Tenth African Open Swimming Championship September 13-19.

After the concluding event, 5 kilometers in open water, Noufissa was awarded third place as the best swimmer in the competition.

Graduate student **Sarah Santos-Churchill** took first place in the Mitchell College Quad cross-country meet September 17 and also in the C. W. Post Invitational race the following day. The Purple Knights women's and men's cross-country teams each took second place in the Mitchell race and eighth at C. W. Post.

**Jacob Bunah**, freshman, took first place in the September 18 C. W. Post Invitational cross-country race.

**Ivana Kovacevic-Jurasin**, senior, volleyball, was named ECC Co-Player of the Week after earning all-tournament honors at the Bentley University Invitational September 11-12. Freshman goalkeeper **Julia Hansson** was named ECC Rookie of the Week after two shut-out soccer games.

## FACULTY & STAFF

### ATHLETICS

**Kate Backman** has been named head coach of the Purple Knights women's lacrosse program, which will begin its first season as a varsity program in 2011. Backman comes from two years as assistant women's lacrosse coach at Quinnipiac University, whose lacrosse team won the Northeast Conference regular season title last year.

### BUSINESS

**Anton Miglo**, associate professor of economics, has published "Project Financing Versus Corporate Financing under Asymmetric Information" in the *Journal of Business and Economics Research* 8(8), 2010.

### ENGINEERING

**Sarosh Patel**, Ph.D. candidate in computer engineering, and **Lawrence Hmurcik**, professor of electrical engineering, undertook an investigation of an accident in Staten Island. A 13,000-volt transformer attached to a telephone pole ten feet away electrocuted a man on a ladder who was hanging a sign on the side of a building. A second worker on the building's roof was burned when he touched his co-worker. Investigators Patel and Hmurcik found that the power company was not at fault since the transformer was near a "non-use" wall – that is, there were no doors or windows in the wall through which electricity could endanger people. The owner of the sign-hanging company was found at fault for not asking the power company to turn off the power before the sign was hung.

### *Purple Knights Weekend*

for students and their families, will be held October 2-3. Watch for the schedule of events, or contact Edina Oestreicher, assistant dean of students, at [edinao@bridgeport.edu](mailto:edinao@bridgeport.edu) for information.

**Did we miss something?** *UB Highlights* is published twice monthly during the academic year and monthly in January, June, and July to inform the University community about UB events and achievements. To comment or to list your event or award, e-mail Rebecca Salonen, [UBHighlights@bridgeport.edu](mailto:UBHighlights@bridgeport.edu), or call x4988.